

# SOCIETY

**T**O-DAY, February 14, with Saint Valentine as patron saint and Dan Cupid ruling as matchmaker, will begin the closing week of the winter season in Richmond society, and these last days before the beginning of Lent on Wednesday of next week, February 24, are filled with many social events which will make the week one of the most brilliant of the season.

To-morrow the large bridge party for local charities, in which the most prominent women of Richmond are interested, will be given in the Jefferson Hotel at 1 o'clock. Miss Gusie Reinhardt will appear in a song recital at the Woman's Club at the usual hour.

"The Tuesday German" will hold its last dance in the Masonic Temple on the next night, the German beginning promptly at 9:30 o'clock. There will also be a dance at the Hermitage on the same night. On Wednesday society will welcome "The Arcadians" in their charming comedy, "The King of Kings." Mrs. Pleasant Conquest will be at home informally on that afternoon.

Thursday Mrs. John Mercer Brockebrough will entertain at a buffet luncheon, and Mrs. William J. Whitehurst has issued cards for a tea.

Mrs. Langhorne Putney will be hostess in her country home, "Ruthland," on Friday afternoon, and on Thursday and Friday afternoon a "colonial tea" will be given under the auspices of the Kindergarten Alumnae Association.

Many pleasant box parties are being arranged for Friday and Saturday nights to "Baby A. Comen and Toys," given for the Home for Needy Confederate Women, among its special features being the curtain raising under the direction of Miss Coleman, when some of the handsomest women of Richmond society will be seen in a series of tableaux, representing paintings from the old masters.

Among them will be Mrs. John Skelton Williams, as Empress Josephine; Mrs. Swanson, as the Duchess of Devonshire; Mrs. George Bell Hutchings, as Countess Potocka; Mrs. I. N. Vaughan, as Madame de Camille; Mrs. Garrett Wall, as Queen Wilhelmina; Miss Ella Buck, as the Lady with the Muff; Miss Nora Leary, as Queen Louise of Prussia; Miss Hattie Shields, as the Portrait of Mrs. Drummond Smith; Miss Elizabeth Barton, as Lady Hamilton; Miss Lillian Binford, in "The Broken Pitcher," and Mrs. Sidney Buford, as Madame de Brun.

**Mrs. Carson's Bridge Party.** Mrs. Preston Carson was hostess at "Dundee" on Friday afternoon at one of the most attractive Valentine parties of the week, when she entertained her friends at cards in honor of her sister, Mrs. William Minor Lee, of the University of Virginia. Progressive bridge was the game and the Valentine idea was appropriately developed in the decorations and refreshments, leeks, bonbons and cakes being heart-shaped, while Dan Cupid was much in evidence with his golden bow and arrow.

The score was kept on little red hearts, and the "favor" were imported novelties, supposed to come direct from St. Valentine.

Richmond roses were lavishly used in the decorations, the mantels being banked with the roses in a background of similar. Fourteen tables were engaged.

Mrs. Carson's guests were Mrs. Lila, Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Andrew Gray, Mrs. Alston Cabell, Mrs. Ben Neel, Mrs. Allen Campbell, of Alabama; Mrs. Jack de Treville, Mrs. Frank Woodward, Mrs. George Warren, Mrs. Walter Watson, Mrs. Arthur Scrivener, Mrs. Burton Ford, Mrs. John A. Coke, Jr., Mrs.

Aubrey Young, Mrs. James Parkinson, Mrs. Augustine Royall, Mrs. S. W. Travers, Mrs. Littleton Fitzgerald, Mrs. Charles Spicer, Mrs. Elizabeth Bryan, Mrs. Adolphus Blair, Mrs. Murray McGuire, Miss Helen Montague, Mrs. Hewitt, Mrs. Archie Patterson, Mrs. Stuart Bowe, Mrs. A. J. Montague, Mrs. Luther Warren, Mrs. Edgar Lafferty, Mrs. Austin Brockebrough, Mrs. Stewart Hume, Mrs. Kilson, Mrs. Arthur Tippley, Miss Taylor, of Wilmington; Mrs. E. A. Robinson, Mrs. A. H. Thiermann, Mrs. Richard Gwathmey, Mrs. Robert Degrain, Mrs. Edmund Benson, Mrs. Bruce Bowe, Mrs. Baskerville Bridgeforth, Mrs. David Leake, Mrs. Arthur Mayo, Mrs. J. Allison Hodges, Mrs. Hugh Skipwith, Mrs. Blanchard Forbes, Mrs. Robert Whitehurst, Mrs. Clifford Miller, Mrs. Stewart Woodward, Mrs. Albert Hunt and Miss Mary Osborne, Templeton, of Waynesboro.

**Mrs. Hodges's Tea.** Miss Annie Seales, of Berryville, Va., was a guest of honor at a beautiful tea given on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. J. Allison Hodges, when she entertained in her home, on Franklin Street.

The front drawing room was decorated in pink, while in the other rooms yellow and green were used, vases of longjuncs contrasting prettily with Boston ferns, palms and other evergreens.

Mrs. Swanson received with Mrs. Hodges. Miss Seales, Mrs. Ellington and Mrs. Strudwick presided at the punch bowl.

Mrs. Ivan Maltby and Mrs. Andrew Gray joined tea, and Mrs. Rogerson served frappe.

About 100 guests called during the evening, and the hostess was assisted in entertaining them by Mrs. Wheelwright, Mrs. A. W. Patterson, Mrs. C. E. Borden, Miss Fannie Taylor, of Wilmington; Mrs. Thomas Cary Johnson, Mrs. Luther Warren, Mrs. Benjamin Cameron, Mrs. John A. Coke, Jr., Miss Alma Cecil, Miss Nannie Cowardin, Miss Mattie Baskerville, and others.

**At Woman's Club.** An event of unusual interest in musical circles will be the appearance at the Woman's Club to-morrow afternoon of Miss Gusie M. Reinhardt, in a song recital, assisted by her sister, Miss Annie Louise Reinhardt, the well-known violinist, and her father, Professor Jacob Reinhardt, who will preside at the piano. This will be Miss Gusie's first appearance in Richmond since she has been studying at the Peabody Institute, where she won a three-year scholarship over fifty competitors.

The Literary Round Table will meet at 4:30 on Wednesday afternoon to discuss "Somehow Good," by Dr. Morgan, under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Harris.

The February card tournament will be played on Friday evening, with compass wheel as the game. Members may invite gentlemen partners or ladies holding visitors' cards, but no other ladies outside the club.

**Hostesses Yesterday.** Mrs. John Skelton Williams, Mrs. Isaac Newton Vaughan, Mrs. W. Ormond Young, Mrs. J. Mason Miller, Mrs. E. D. Williams, Miss Mary Butler, Miss Avis Grant, Miss Lina Shields, Miss May Moore and Miss Kate Meredith were invited to receive at the Deep Run Hunt Club on yesterday at the reception held in the club house after the run.

**Mrs. Johnston Goes South.** Mrs. Howard Claiborne Johnston will leave to-morrow to spend six weeks in the South, as is her usual custom.

during the winter season. She will go direct from Richmond to Atlanta for a week to visit her sister, Mrs. Woodbury, who has issued invitations to a reception in Mrs. Johnston's honor on Wednesday.

**Mrs. Whitehurst's Tea.** Mrs. William J. Whitehurst will be hostess at a tea given next Wednesday in her home, 1832 Monument Avenue, in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Robert V. Whitehurst, and her sister, Mrs. Mollie C. Larus.

**To Entertain at Luncheon.** Invitations have been issued by Mrs. John Mercer Brockebrough to a buffet luncheon, which she will give on Thursday, February 18, in her home, 612 West Franklin Street, at 3 o'clock.

**To See the Fleet Come In.** Mrs. Douglass Gordon, of Baltimore, and Miss Page Royall will be guests of Mrs. William Roane Aylett, of Newport News, the latter part of the month. They will be joined in Newport News by Miss Anne Keith Royall, and the party will go to the Chamberlin Hotel to join in the welcome to the returning American fleet.

**Gold to Give Luncheon.** An opportunity for a most enjoyable midday luncheon will be furnished on next Thursday, February 18, when the members of St. Hilda's Guild, of St. Paul's Church, will serve lunch in the Business Men's Club from 12 until 2 o'clock. The rooms are over the Bank of Richmond, and the elevator entrance is on Ninth Street.

**Afternoon Reception.** Mrs. Robert Withers Williams and Mrs. William Page Dame, of Baltimore, will be the guests of honor on Friday next, when Mrs. Langhorne Putney will entertain for them in her country home, "Ruthland," in Henric county. Her guests will leave Elba at 4 o'clock, and returning, leave "Ruthland" at 5:30 P. M.

**For Mrs. Higdon and Mrs. Neal.** Mrs. Charles T. Norman entertained several friends at progressive tea in her home, 1318 West Grace Street, on Wednesday last, in honor of Mrs. Higdon, of Mobile, and Mrs. Neal, of Washington.

**Informal Tea.** Mrs. Maxwell Samuelson entertained in her home, 1134 West Avenue, on yesterday afternoon from 5 to 7 at a telephone tea, all the decorations carrying out the Valentine idea, hearts and other Valentine features in red being used.

Receiving with Mrs. Samuelson were her sister, Mrs. Coster, and her guest, Mrs. MacMalion, of Pittsburgh. Mrs. W. G. Neal presided at the tea table, and others who assisted in serving were Miss Clara Smith, Miss Grace Neal, Miss Lena Miller and Miss Bessie Jackson.

**Commonwealth Chapter.** The regular meeting of Commonwealth Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, will be held to-morrow at 12 o'clock at Mrs. C. A. Blanton's, 269 West Grace Street, when the delegates to the National Congress will be elected.

**Miss Smith in Fredericksburg.** Miss Marion Smith is the guest of Mrs. Thomas Smith Shepherd in Fredericksburg, and was a guest at a card party given recently by Mr. and Mrs. J. Stansberry Wallace and at a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Howard, at "Kenmore."

**Engagements Announced.** Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Watkins, of Midlothian, announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, F. Neville Watkins, to Dr. E. H. Martin, of Westhampton. The wedding will take place at Bethel Baptist Church, Midlothian, March 5.

**Reynolds-Stewart.** William H. Stewart, of Newport News, has issued invitations for the marriage of his daughter, Effie, to Thomas B. Reynolds, the wedding to take place on the morning of February 23 at 9:30 o'clock in St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

**Selden-Ruehmann.** Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ruehmann have announced the engagement of their daughter, Louise Marie, to William Douglas Selden. The wedding will be celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents, 2021 West Grace Street, on February 17.

**Box Party Wednesday Night.** Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Whitehead chartered a box party to the Bijou on Wednesday evening last, when Luther C. Jeffers was host. The party was afterwards entertained at supper.

Mr. Jeffers's guests were Miss Joy, of New York; Miss Ida Elipson and Miss Fowkes, of Cumberland, and Miss Sarah Baughman, Messrs. Robb, Parkinsons and White.

**Mrs. Conquest at Home.** Mrs. Pleasant L. Conquest will be at home informally on Tuesday, from 5 to 7.

**Colonial Features.** The date for the "Colonial Evening" to be given at 13 West Main Street, under the auspices of the Kindergarten Alumnae Association, has been changed on account of the appearance of the "Arcadians" at the Academy at that time; so the evening performance will take place on Friday, February 19, and the second performance will be the colonial living pictures.

**"Fete du Cœur."** "An affair of the heart" is the unique announcement of a delightful entertainment to be given under the auspices of the Home Mission Society of Park Place Church, at the residence of Mrs. T. D. Newell, 1521 Park Avenue, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. Hearts, of course, will predominate, and Dan Cupid will be present. An attractive musical program will be rendered by Mrs. W. C. Morzer, Miss Pattie Isaacs, Messrs. Morganstein, Canepa and Featherstone, with Miss Willie Smoot and Miss D. Briggs, as accompanists. Miss Jeannette Stearns will also contribute to the pleasure of the evening.

The Queen of Hearts will serve the tarts, for which she is justly famed in ancient lore, while every bleeding heart may find sweet comfort and heartease in the dining room, which will be provided over by a levy of charming sweethearts. Immunity from heart failure is assured all who will attend.

**Mr. and Mrs. Moore's Southern Tour.** Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Moore will leave shortly for a visit to Mr. Moore's brother, at Columbia, S. C. From Columbia they will go to New

Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras, and afterwards to Mexico City to be the guests of friends. They expect to be away from Richmond several months.

**Ten To-morrow.** The Girls' Chapter of the Church of the Holy Comforter will give a Valentine tea to-morrow evening from 8 to 10 o'clock.

An unusually attractive program has been arranged, including several musical numbers and contests appropriate for the celebration of Cupid's birthday.

**Chairmen of Committees.** In response to requests from many Virginia women, chairmen of special committees appointed by the state regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution are given as follows: Continental Hall Committee—Mrs. John D. Horsley, chairman; Miss Ella Miller, vice-chairman.

Historical Committee—Mrs. D. Warwick Read, of Charlottesville Courthouse.

Magazine Committee—Mrs. J. H. McCue, of Bristol.

Maury Monument Committee—Mrs. Charles R. Nash, of Portsmouth.

Exchange of Papers Committee—Mrs. Albert H. Tuttle, University of Virginia.

Real Estate Committee—Mrs. Samuel H. Saxe, of Hampton.

Books for Virginia Alcott—Mrs. George S. Shackelford, of Orange.

Flag Committee—Mrs. William A. Smoot, of Alexandria.

**Virginia Girls Honored.** The Lynchburg News of recent date says: Miss Elizabeth Fairfax Sumter, of Williamsburg, Va., chosen as sponsor for Virginia, and Miss Ella Belle Gordon McNear, formerly of Lynchburg, chosen as maid of honor at the reception of the Sons of Veterans to be held at Memphis, Tenn., the first week in June. These young ladies were notified of their appointment by General A. B. Taylor. Quite a large number were selected, but these two were unanimously elected.

Both the young ladies are of the oldest and best families of Virginia, and have quite a Confederate distinction. Miss Sumter is a daughter of the late W. C. Sumter, a prominent attorney of the State. She is an attractive blonde of winning personality. Miss McNear is a daughter of Captain W. R. McNear, of Lynchburg. She is a striking little brunette of charming personality and has hosts of friends. Miss McNear was sponsor at the Confederate reunion in Dallas in October, and carried off gracefully the honors of her State.

**Auxiliary Silver Tea.** The Branch R. Allen Auxiliary to the Virginia Home for Incurables will give a silver tea at the residence of Mrs. W. H. O. McGeehe, 1112 West Avenue, on Friday from 4 until 6 P. M. The musical program, under the management of Mrs. W. H. O. McGeehe, will be as follows:

Mrs. Frank D. Duke, violinist; Miss Minnie Derby, reader; Miss Gray Wright, contralto; and Mrs. W. H. O. McGeehe, soprano.

**Stokes-Powers.** A pretty wedding was celebrated on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. H. Jackson, of 2024 South Cherry Street, when her daughter, Fanny Arlington, became the bride of John Warren Stokes, of Lunenburg county. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas Semmes, rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

The parlor was decorated in palms and ferns, the color scheme being pink and green. The bride was becomingly attired in a handsome suit of brown, with hat and gloves to match, wearing violets. She was attended by Miss Grace Tignor, her maid of honor, dressed in pink silk, carrying pink and white carnations. The groom was attended by his best man, Marshall Clark, of Manchester.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Stokes left for an extended tour. On their return they will spend several weeks in Richmond before going to their home in the country.

**Personal Mention.** Miss Helen Tanner has returned home after a visit of six weeks in Albemarle county, where she was the guest of Miss Randolph at Keswick and also of

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Mrs. S. R. Foy and her daughter, Miss Louise, of Eufaula, Ala., are the guests of Mrs. W. J. Payne at 1012 Park Avenue.

Miss Bessie Lamb left for New York on Friday.

Miss Henrietta D'Armand, of Philadelphia, who has been the guest of Miss Fleming, will, with Miss Fleming, spend the week in Norfolk.

Miss Stribling, of Berryville, has returned home after having been the guest of Miss Taylor and Miss Chambers.

Dr. George Taylor, of Chase City, has been spending several days in Richmond.

Mrs. Charles Edward Dickinson, of Albemarle county, will spend the month of March at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Julius Morris, on East Grace Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wortham, Jr., and Miss Lucy Ford Wortham have returned to Richmond after a visit to Atlantic City and New York.

**Raleigh Social News.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

**RALEIGH, N. C., February 13.**—Social interest the past week centered in the marriage of Miss Frances Jones, daughter of Garland Jones and A. P. Bauman, of the Commercial and Farmers Bank, Wednesday afternoon in the Edenton street Methodist Episcopal church, officiated by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Ashby L. Baker held one of the most notable and largest receptions of the season. There were probably 900 guests, including a large number from a distance.

The music department of the Woman's Club entertained in the club building Thursday afternoon.

Thursday afternoon there was a delightful reunion of the alumnae of Peace Institute in the parlors of that college for young women.

Albert Cox with Miss Fannie Johnson led a dance in Taneey Library ball room Friday night.

Mrs. William Patton Kitchin held her usual "at home" at the Governor's Mansion Wednesday afternoon and received a large number of callers. She was assisted by Mrs. H. W. Crawford, of Williamston, and Mrs. A. P. Kitchin, of Scotland Neck.

The Social Club was entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. A. L. Murray. Miss Annie B. Duncan was the hostess for the Bridge Whist Club the past week.

Mrs. Mattie Bailey was hostess for the Johnsonian Club the past week.

Mrs. James A. Briggs was the hostess for the Johnson-Pettigrew Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, Wednesday afternoon.

The Tuesday Afternoon Club was entertained the past week by Mrs. W. R. Crawford.

People of Raleigh were deeply interested in the marriage of Thomas B. Green, a well-known and popular business man of this city, and Miss Marie K. Jamieson, of Tarboro, in the Methodist Church there Wednesday afternoon.

Among the visitors of the week was M. M. Martin, of Richmond, who attended a good dinner of eight covers, owing to the alleged likeness to President-Elect William H. Taft, and he had not been in the hotel more than twenty-four hours before the by-word, "Green Bait" was on every lip. This may be a surprise to his friends and acquaintances in Richmond, but the likeness here was considered most striking and were it not for the fact that the whole world knows that Judge Taft was in Panama, the news that he had stopped over here on his way North would have spread like wildfire through the village the minute Mr. Martin stepped into the hotel lobby.

Others visiting here were Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Davenport, of Richmond.

**Warrenton Social News.**

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

**WARRENTON, VA., February 13.**—Miss Phillips is visiting friends at Cambridge, Md.

Miss Della J. Garner is on a visit of several weeks to her sister, Mrs. Samuel Arundale, of Charlottesville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Turner left Monday afternoon for Charleston, S. C., where they will be entertained by their daughter.

Miss Louise Evans left Saturday for a two weeks' trip, and expects to visit

friends in Wilmington, Charleston and Savannah.

Mrs. H. M. Higgell is enjoying a stay at Atlantic City.

Lucien Keith has just returned from Pittsburg, Pa.

Jack B. Pinner spent several days in Washington this week.

Miss McIntyre is visiting Mrs. Colman Kemper at Bethel Academy, and is assisting the Bethel minister troupe in preparing for the show which takes place February 25 at the Town Hall.

Mrs. E. Beverly Slater gave a tea Thursday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Colman, of Chicago, who is visiting her brother, Dr. M. G. Douglas.

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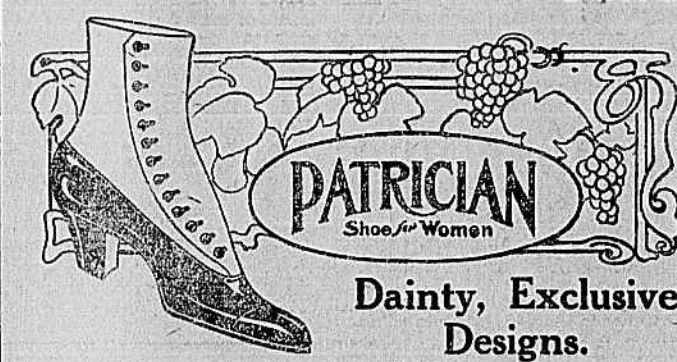
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